#### Date:

November 20, 2015

### Applicant:

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#### **Project Name:**

U.S. Bureau of Reclamation - Mohave Valley Conservation Area, WDID No. 7B363032001

#### **Receiving Water:**

Colorado River

#### Location:

City or area: 13 miles south of Needles CA, Moabi Regional Park, San Bernardino County,

California

**Longitude/ Latitude:** 114°31'17.26" West / 34°44'07.20" North

**Township/Range:** Section 36 Township 8 North Range 23 East, Section 31 Township 8 North Range 24 East, Section 6 Township 7 North Range 24 East, and Section 1 Township 7 North

Range 23 East (San Bernardino Meridian)

## **Project Description:**

The purpose of the proposed Project is creation of critical aquatic and riparian habitat for endangered fish and migratory birds.

The work is being undertaken as part of the Lower Colorado River Multi-species Conservation Program. The project will provide critical habitat for the flannelmouth sucker (*Castotomus latipinnis*) and two endangered species of native Colorado River fish, the razorback sucker (*Xyrauchen texanus*) and the bonytail chub (*Gila elegans*). The increase in habitat will also benefit numerous migratory bird species.

Excavation of a backwater channel and wetlands to create critical aquatic and riparian habitat. Other associated features include inlet and outlet water control structures set at equal elevations, roadway crossings at the north and south ends of the backwater built using concrete arch culverts, and a boat ramp intended for use by U.S. Bureau of Reclamation personnel to maintain the backwater.

# Proposed Schedule (Start-up, duration, and completion dates):

March 2016 – August 2017

# Action:

Pending

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